Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer Three Joel G. Nichols' dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, CW3 Nichols devoted more than 25 years of his life to the service of this state and country culminating as the Senior Health Services Officer in the nation, assuring the medical readiness and fitness needs were properly addressed for South Dakota's soldiers, including assistance in the mobilization and demobilization process throughout OEF/OIF; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, CW3 Nichols continues to give of himself, serving with the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs at the Veterans Office; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Chief Warrant Officer Three Joel G. Nichols for more than 25 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2008, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twentieth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State